Fall of 0·6 Points.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBERS FOR BANGALORE CITY FOR SEPTEMBER 1944.

The cost of Living Index Number for Bangalore City for September 1944, works out to 187·5 which is lower by 0·6 points than that for August 1944.

As compared with the previous month, the Food Index decreased by 1·2 points to 214·8 due to a fall in the prices of Blackgram Dhal, Tur Dhal, Bengalgram Dhal, Jaggery Coffee Seeds, Onions, Gingelly Oil, Chillies and Garlic. As a result of slite increase in the prices of castor oil, the index number of Fuel and Lighting group increased by 0·3 points to 206·4 points. Clothing, house rent and miscellaneous groups remained steady.

(Average of prices from July 1935 to June 1936—100.)

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weight proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	August 1944	September 1944	Index Numbers: August 1944	September 1944
			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Food—							
Raw Rice ...	Seer	14·0	0 2 2	0 4 0	0 4 0	185	185
Boiled Rice ...	,,	22·6	0 2 3	0 4 0	0 4 0	178	178
Ragi ...	,,	6·6	0 1 1	0 2 5	0 2 5	223	223
Blackgram Dhal ...	,,	0·7	0 3 1	0 15 3	0 11 4	495	368
Tur Dhal ...	,,	3·4	0 2 8	0 8 6	0 8 3	319	309
Bengalgram Dhal ...	,,	1·4	0 2 11	0 8 3	0 7 10	297	269
Avare Dhal ...	,,	0·6	0 2 7	0 7 2	0 7 3	277	280
Green Gram ...	,,	1·2	0 2 0	0 6 11	0 6 8	346	333
Sugar ...	,,	1·9	0 1 4	0 2 0	0 2 0	150	150
Jaggery ...	Viss	1·9	0 3 6	0 9 4	0 8 3	257	243
Coffee seeds ...	Seer	1·4	0 3 11	0 13 2	0 12 9	336	325
Meat (weight) ...	2 lbs.	7·2	0 7 0	1 8 0	1 8 0	343	343
Curds ...	Seer	1·9	0 1 7	0 3 3	0 4 0	205	253
Milk ...	,,	6·1	0 3 7	0 5 4	0 6 5	149	179
Ghee ...	,,	2·7	0 6 0	1 4 9	1 6 3	346	370
Onions ...	Viss	1·0	0 1 3	0 3 1	0 2 6	247	200
Vegetables ...	,,	5·6	0 2 6	0 5 0	0 5 0	200	200
Fruits ...	One Doz.	0·9	0 2 0	0 3 0	0 3 0	150	150
Gingelly oil ...	Seer	2·5	0 2 0	0 5 1	0 4 11	254	246
Groundnut oil ...	,,	0·4	0 1 8	0 4 3	0 4 1	255	245
Salt ...	,,	1·1	0 1 3	0 2 2	0 2 0	173	160
Cocoanut ...	Each	1·0	0 1 0	0 2 4	0 2 1	233	208
Tamarind ...	Viss	0·9	0 3 3	0 9 6	0 9 1	292	279
Chillies ...	,,	2·0	0 7 4	1 9 4	1 8 3	345	330
Coriander ...	Seer	1·3	0 1 5	0 4 6	0 4 4	318	306
Garlic ...	,,	0·7	0 2 0	0 5 7	0 4 1	279	204
Wheat Flour ...	,,	1·4	0 4 10	0 4 10	0 4 10	100	100
Soji ...	,,	1·3	0 4 6	0 4 6	0 4 6	100	100
Ready made coffee ...	,,	6·3	1 5 7	1 5 7	1 5 7	100	100
Total of all food ...		100·0	...	...	...	...	...
All Food—Index Numbers of All Food Articles ...				...	...	216·0	214·8
Fuel and Lighting.—							
Firewood ...	Maund	72·0	0 2 6	0 4 11	0 4 11	197	197
Castor Oil ...	Seer ...	7·7	0 1 11	0 5 8	0 5 9	296	300
Kerosene Oil ...	Bottle	16·0	0 2 1	0 4 0	0 4 0	192	192
Match ...	Box of 40 sticks.	4·3	0 0 2	0 0 5	0 0 5	250	250
Total ...	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Clothing—	Index Number—Fuel and Lighting					206·1	206·4
Dhoties	Pair of 8 yards.	14·6	2 0 9	4 14 0	4 14 0	244	244
Coating ...	Yard	22·5	0 5 6	0 14 11	0 14 11	300	300
Shirting ...	,,	21·5	0 4 0	0 9 10	0 9 10	262	262
Cloth for Pyjamas, etc.	,,	3·0	0 4 0	0 12 2	0 12 2	335	335
Sarees ...	Each	22·4	3 0 0	5 3 0	5 3 0	173	173
Cloth for Jackets	Yard	16·0	0 5 0	0 12 6	0 12 0	250	240
Total ...		100·0	...	...	...	...	...
House rent—	Index Number—Clothing					234·8	234·8
House rent ...		100·0	2 10 3	2 10 3	2 10 3	100	100
Total ...		100·0					
Miscellaneous—	Index Number—House rent					100	100
Shaving ...		13·0	0 9 6	0 9 6	0 9 6	100	100
Washing soap ...		17·5	0 4 8	0 4 8	0 4 8	100	100
Supari ...		8·4	0 6 3	0 6 3	0 6 3	100	100
Beedi ...		11·2	0 6 9	0 6 9	0 6 9	100	100
Amusement ...		8·4	0 6 2	0 6 2	0 6 2	100	100
Education ...		5·0	0 3 8	0 3 8	0 3 8	100	100
Medicine ...		8·3	0 6 1	0 6 1	0 6 1	100	100
Flowers ...		5·7	0 4 3	0 4 3	0 4 3	100	100
Household Necessaries		22·5	1 0 8	1 0 8	1 0 8	100	100
Total		100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number—Miscellaneous ...						100	100

Group	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Group Index Numbers: August 1944	September 1944
Food	53·5	216·3	214·8
Fuel and Lighting	7·0	206·1	206·4
Clothing	13·8	234·8	234·8
House Rent	6·4	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous	19·3	100·0	100·0
Total ...	100·0	...	...
(Cost of Living Index Number) ...	...	188·1	187·1

BANGALORE,
Dated 6th September 1944.

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WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBERS FOR K. G. F. AREA FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1944. A RISE OF ONE POINT.

The cost of Living Index Number for Kolar Gold Fields Area for September 1944, works out to 205·4 points which is higher by 1·0 point than that for the previous month.

As compared with the previous month the Food Index decreased by 0·3 points to 222·7 points due to a slight fall in the prices of blackgram, dhal, greengram, jaggery, onions, ghee and garlic. Due to further rise in the prices of fire-wood and castor oil, the Index Number of fuel and lighting group rose to 258·2 points showing an increase of 19·4 points over that for August 1944.

The Index Number of Clothing, House Rent and Miscellaneous Groups remained steady.

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	August 1944	September 1944	Index Numbers: August 1944	September 1944
Food—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Raw Rice	Seer	3·5	0 2 0	0 4 3	0 4 3	212	212
Boiled Rice	,,	36·9	0 2 1	0 4 3	0 4 3	204	204
Ragi	,,	11·1	0 0 11	0 2 4	0 2 4	254	254
Blackgram Dhal	,,	0·4	0 2 11	0 13 2	0 11 2	451	383
Tur Dhal	,,	4·2	0 2 8	0 8 0	0 7 11	300	297
Bengalgram Dhal	,,	0·8	0 1 11	0 7 11	0 7 7	413	396
Avare Dhal	,,	0·6	0 2 1	0 6 11	0 6 11	332	332
Greengram	,,	0·6	0 1 11	0 7 4	0 7 2	383	374
Sugar	,,	0·5	0 1 4	0 2 1	0 2 1	156	156
Jaggery	Viss	2·8	0 3 3	0 7 11	0 7 3	244	223
Coffee seeds	Seer	1·8	0 4 0	0 11 3	0 11 4	281	283
Fish	,,	2·1	0 3 6	0 3 10	0 4 9	110	136
Meat	,,	9·0	0 8 0	1 3 8	1 4 0	246	250
Milk	,,	2·8	0 3 3	0 4 0	0 4 0	123	124
Curds	,,	0·6	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	100	100
Onions	Viss	0·8	0 1 4	0 3 4	0 2 7	250	194
Ghee	Seer	1·1	0 6 0	0 11 0	0 10 7	183	176
Gingelly oil	,,	3·2	0 2 0	0 5 7	0 6 3	279	312
Cocoanut	Each	0·8	0 1 2	0 1 8	0 1 7	143	136
Groundnut oil	Seer	0·6	0 1 7	0 3 11	0 3 11	247	247
Salt	,,	1·3	0 1 2	0 2 0	0 2 0	171	171
Chillies	Viss	4·0	0 7 8	1 10 6	1 10 0	346	339
Tamarind	,,	1·4	0 2 7	0 7 6	0 7 9	290	300
Coriander	Seer	1·2	0 1 4	0 4 9	0 4 9	356	356
Garlic	,,	0·6	0 2 0	0 5 8	0 4 2	283	208
Soji	,,	0·3	0 1 2	0 1 2	0 1 2	100	100
Vegetables	,,	3·8	0 12 4	0 12 4	0 12 4	100	100
Readymade coffee		3·2	0 12 3	0 12 3	0 12 3	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Numbers—All food articles		...	...	...	...	223·0	222·7
Fuel and Lighting.—							
Firewood	Maund	75·1	0 2 0	0 5 1	0 5 5	254	271
Castor Oil	Seer	7·8	0 2 3	0 5 9	0 7 8	256	341
Kerosene Oil	Bottle	12·1	0 2 3	0 3 8	0 3 8	163	163
Matches	Box of 40 sticks	5·0	0 0 3	0 0 5	0 0 5	167	167
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Nos.—Fuel and Lighting	...	...	...	...	...	238·8	258·2

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	August 1944	September 1944	Index numbers: August 1944	September 1944
Clothing—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Dhoties	Pair	9·3	2 1 0	4 14 0	4 14 0	236	236
Cloth for Pyjamas, etc.	Yard	1·7	0 4 4	0 12 2	0 12 2	281	281
Coating	,,	20·4	0 6 5	0 14 11	0 14 11	232	232
Shirting	,,	14·7	0 5 0	0 9 10	0 9 10	197	197
Sarees	Each	39·4	3 3 0	4 9 0	4 9 0	143	143
Cloth for Jackets, etc.	Yard	14·5	0 5 3	0 12 6	0 12 6	238	238
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Numbers—Clothing	...	...	...	...	...	193·9	193·9
House rent	...	100·0	0 10 9	0 10 9	0 10 9	100·0	100·0
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Numbers—House rent	...	...	...	...	...	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous—							
Barber	...	14·5	0 9 1	0 9 1	0 9 1	100	100
Soap for washing	...	20·0	0 12 6	0 12 6	0 12 6	100	100
Soapnut powder	...	5·2	0 3 3	0 3 3	0 3 3	100	100
Supari	...	14·1	0 8 10	0 8 10	0 8 10	100	100
Beedies	...	15·7	0 9 10	0 9 10	0 9 10	100	100
Travelling expenses	...	6·7	0 4 2	0 4 2	0 4 2	100	100
Flowers	...	3·9	0 2 5	0 2 5	0 2 5	100	100
Amusements	...	8·1	0 5 1	0 5 1	0 5 1	100	100
Charges for grinding	...	6·1	0 3 10	0 3 10	0 3 10	100	100
Bedding and household necessaries		5·7	0 3 6	0 3 6	0 3 6	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Numbers—Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	100	100

Groups	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Index Numbers: August 1944	September 1944
Food	70·9	223·0	222·7
Fuel and Lighting	6·2	238·8	258·2
Clothing	9·1	193·9	193·9
House Rent	2·1	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous	11·7	100·0	100·0
Total	100·0	...	...
Cost of Living Index Numbers	...	204·4	205·4

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